

Tom Martin 🖈 Mayor

April 27, 2009

Honorable Randy Neugebauer Unites States Congressman 1424 Longworth HOB Washington, DC 20515

Attn: Dan Hilton

Re: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

Member-Designated High Priority Projects

Loop 289/Quaker Avenue/Texas Tech Parkway/Erskine Street Interchange Project

Northwest Passage Group of Projects

Dear Congressman Neugebauer:

The City of Lubbock fully supports the Loop 289/Quaker Avenue/Texas Tech Parkway/Erskine Street Interchange Project for consideration for Member-Designated High Priority Projects. The Project will complete the Northwest Passage Group of Projects and will provide mobility and connectivity for the northwest portion of the city.

The Project is a high priority for the City of Lubbock, the Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization, and the Lubbock District of the Texas Department of Transportation. The City of Lubbock has completed the schematics and the environmental assessment for this project. The Federal Highway Administration has already approved these documents so the City stands ready to immediately begin design on the project if selected.

The City has shown its support for the entire Northwest Passage Group of Projects as the City has already appropriated and spent nearly \$45.5 million of local tax dollars on the Northwest Passage Projects. If selected as a High Priority Project, the City of Lubbock will work closely with our local transportation partners to insure the timely success of the project.

If you have any questions, or need further information, please contact me at (806)775-2010.

Sincerely,

Tom Martin

Mayor